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Applicants : Shawn D. Bush
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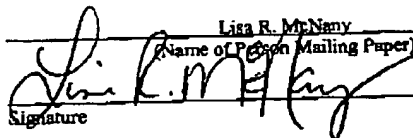
AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 24, 2005, Applicants submit the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.
☒ No additional fee is required.
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